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NEWS RELEASE

Dramane Badiaga, a citizen of the Republic of Mali, was charged today by information¹ with aggravated identity theft, and using stolen identification documents which belonged to another person, to obtain a federal employment authorization card and a Pennsylvania State Identification, announced United States Attorney Michael L. Levy. After stealing identification documents which belonged to another person, and obtaining a federal employment authorization card, Badiaga, moved from Bronx, New York to Philadelphia where he obtained employment and started filing federal income tax returns in the name of the person whose identity he had stolen.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
DRAMANE BADIAGA	Philadelphia, PA	1967

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 7 years imprisonment, which includes a 2 year mandatory minimum sentence, a \$500,000 fine, 3 years of supervised of supervised and a \$200 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the United States Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs Enforcement Section and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Floyd J. Miller.

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